CLASS SPECIFICATION County of Fairfax, Virginia

CLASS CODE: 1188 **TITLE:** DIRECTOR OF LAND ACQUISITIONS **GRADE:** S-32

DEFINITION:

Under direction of the Director and Deputy Director of Public Works Department, and subject to County policy, to plan, organize and direct the activities of a centralized land acquisition and land management program for the County; and to do related work as required.

TYPICAL TASKS:

Plans and organizes effective procedures for acquisition of lands or properties and easements, options, agreements, permits over lands;

Administers contracts for appraisals;

Makes recommendations for condemnation proceedings;

Prepares technical reports and advises on site selections;

Prepares budgets and financial reports;

Manages property and right-of-way inventory;

Makes recommendations for property use and disposal of surplus properties;

Maintains close liaison with other County agencies for land administration services;

Carries out the acquisition phases of school site selection and acquisition, working very closely with appropriate School Board employees.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

Knowledge of the principles and practices of real property acquisition for public purposes;

Basic knowledge of laws governing condemnation proceedings;

Knowledge of the laws and procedures required to validate the acquisition of real properties and/or easements required;

Ability to direct subordinates in exercising proper judgment in property negotiation;

Ability to train subordinates;

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with property owners, the public and other County officials and agencies;

Ability to prepare clear and concise reports.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS:

Graduation from a four-year college or university and five years of experience in real property negotiation.

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